

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application.

Please cancel claim 53 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Listing of Claims:

1.-19. (Cancelled)

20. (Previously Presented) The thin film of claim 37, wherein said thin film comprises said nanoparticles in a range of about 50% to about 100%.

21.-23. (Cancelled)

24. (Previously Presented) The thin film of claim 20, wherein said nanoparticles are composed of a perovskite-type oxide having the formula  $ABO_3$ , wherein A is at least one additional cation having a positive formal charge in the range between about 1 to about 3; and wherein B is at least one acidic oxide having a metal selected from the group consisting of: Group IVB, VB, VIB, VIIB, IIIA, and IB.

25.-34. (Cancelled)

35. (Previously Presented) The thin film of claim 37, wherein a percentage of said thin film comprising said nanoparticles is in a range of about 25% to about 75%.

36. (Cancelled)

37. (Previously Presented) A dielectric thin film with relative dielectric constant greater than 10 consisting essentially of:

a solution or dispersion of surfactant-coated nanoparticles in an organic solvent,  
wherein said organic solvent is evaporated after heating and depositing said nanoparticles  
on a substrate to form said dielectric thin film,

wherein said nanoparticles have a diameter size in a range between 2 nm and about 20  
nm, and a crystalline structure having a relatively narrow grain-sized distribution,

wherein said narrow grain-sized distribution has a standard deviation selected from the  
group consisting of: less than 15%, less than 10% and less than 5%.

38.-49. (Cancelled)

50. (Previously Presented) The thin film of claim 20, wherein a percentage of said thin film  
comprising said nanoparticles is in a range of about 50% to about 60%.

51. (Previously Presented) The thin film of claim 20, wherein a percentage of said thin film  
comprising said nanoparticles is in a range of about 90% to about 100%.

52. (Cancelled)

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54. (Previously Presented) The thin film of claim 37, wherein said surfactant is an organic  
surfactant selected from compounds having an end functional group consisting of -COO-,  
-CON-, -CN-, -NC-, -S-, -O-, -N-, or -P-; and mixtures thereof.

55. (Previously Presented) The thin film of claim 37, wherein said solvent is selected from  
the group consisting of water, an alcohol, an alkane, an arene, a chlorinated solvent, and a  
compound having the end functional group unit comprising -COO-, -CON-, -CN-, -NC-, -S-, -O-, -  
N-, or -P-; and mixtures thereof.